

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re Application of: :  
Flautt et al. : Group Art Unit: 1713  
Serial No.: 10/055,154 : Examiner: Dr. K. C. Egwim  
Filed: October 26, 2001 :  
For: SUPERABSORBENT WATER- :  
RESISTANT COATINGS FOR FIBER :  
REINFORCED ARTICLES :

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the specification as indicated below. Applicants respectfully request consideration of the remarks below.